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earnestly to the crowd that were clamoring for his release. And when I found, that he had been rescued without serious harm to any one, I was as uproarious as any one in my joy.

The government party here are most especially mad at me but I am happy to add that my church and the majority of the citizens stand by me well — If we cannot kill this infernal Law — it will kill us. So I think we have come to the death grapple. If we drive the slave power back from this position, it will be all the easier to continue the route —

Gerret Smith has subscribed \$1000 to our contingent fund, for meeting the demands that may arise from the rescue of Jerry — and I think he will make one of the pleas in the prosecution of the Agent and Marshal —

Love to all —

Yours truly
Samuel J. May

I know not where our finance Committee will get the agents they need. We shall not employ either Hathaway, Jackson or Chaplin - except it may be around their own homes. Rev Mr. Miner - Rev R. R. Raymond and myself have each done something - but we are each of us too much occupied with our own affairs, to give all the time that should be given to this work.

My controversy with Mr. Constock wages warmer. I will send you my last letter - part of which appeared in this morning's Star - and the residue of it will come out on Monday. - Perhaps you will think I go too far in urging it upon all men to act against the Fugitive Slave Law, as they conscientiously believe to be right - even if it be to fight for the rescue of its victims. But I know not what other counsel to give them. And let me confess to you that, when I saw poor Jerry in the hands of the official kidnappers, I could not preach non-resistance very

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Dear Garrison

A letter just received from Mrs A. K. Foster leads me to ascertaining that my letter to you was misunderstood. — I certainly had no wish, and I do not believe, that any of our Finance Committee had any wish, that Messrs. and Miss Holley should withdraw from Central and Western New York unless they would labor as our agents. I advised them not to labor just now in this immediate vicinity i.e. in this County, or Oswego County, lest it should seem like interference with our financial operations. But we cannot cancel any considerable portion of Central and Western New York — and we shall be glad to have any persons, who are as true and able as they are, engaged in agitating the public mind in Central and Western New York on the subject of Slavery and the Fugitive Slave Law. — Let them lecture wherever they see fit, excepting in Oneida & Oswego Counties.

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